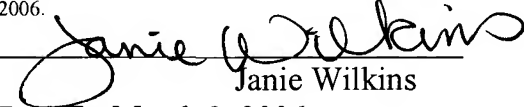


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Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated December 1, 2005 in the patent application identified above, please enter the following amendments and reconsider the application in view of the appended remarks. A request for a one-month extension of time accompanies this response.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.